

Before The  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of  
Proposal for Creation of the Low Power FM  
(LPFM) Broadcast Service

FCC RM-9242

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I am writing to urge adoption of RM-9242. I feel the public is generally not being fully served by the current system of radio and TV, within each community. This proposed LPFM would open the air waves, legally, to dedicated and concerned citizens who can not afford the expensive current licensing (when available), and it will tend to keep such a station small, local, and much more accessible to the general public.

Most large stations have switched to a format of music and only touch on the news. This news is only a sampling locally, being mainly repeats of stories from national news services. I believe the majority of those interested in the LPFM would prefer to address local news and issues which are important to the community in which they operate. The current radio and talk shows do NOT address these local issues effectively. The proposed LPFM would be a definite **PUBLIC SERVICE**. In addition, keeping ownership in the hands of "average Americans" would avoid the monopoly situation that has permeated our current system. Specifically, stations would be independent and thus, truly the "voice of America".

This petition addresses the coverage level questions in a forthright manner. A token amount of power which allows no real coverage is not in the best interest of the American public. I strongly urge the adoption of the power/coverage levels in RM-9242. With improvements in technology, the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> adjacent channel requirements can be eliminated in the case of the proposed LPFM-1 Primary Service stations. This effectively allows placement of LPFM in the current spectrum.

I feel it is time to review the FCC mandate of "for the public good" and make positive changes, in a timely manner, which addresses this concept. LPFM is a move in that direction.

Thank you for your consideration.

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